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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Derrick L. Garrett, D.O.B. 3/5/79, of Beloit, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 10 years in federal prison for distribution of crack cocaine. Garrett pleaded guilty to this charge on July 20, 2006.

On March 7, 2006, Garrett distributed over 50 grams of crack cocaine to a government informant near his residence in Beloit, Wisconsin. This crack cocaine transaction was observed by undercover police officers.

The charges against Garrett were the result of a six month investigation of Garrett and others dealing crack cocaine in the Rock County area conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau, Stateline Area Narcotics Team, and the Beloit Police Department. United States Attorney Peterson praised the hard work of law enforcement officers involved in the investigation. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.